

Longleaf School of the Arts
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
322 Chapanoke Road Raleigh NC
July 25, 2022

5:33pm CALL TO ORDER Per GS143-318.10

- **Roll Call:** Cheryl Hiser, Sharon Muha, Elizabeth Grovenstein, Sabrina Francis,

- **Absent with Notice:** Dorinda Peacock, Adam White

- **Mission Statement:** Longleaf School of the Arts will develop students into confident, responsible, and successful contributors in college, career, and community through mentorship and a challenging curriculum that integrates academics and the fine arts.
- Elizabeth Grovenstein is participating via Zoom and Sabrina Francis will run the meeting.
- **Agenda Approval** - Sabrina Francis moved to remove New Business section, Cheryl Hiser seconds. The motion is approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda is used to approve routine items by voting on all items at one time, instead of voting on individual motions. Prior to approving the consent agenda, the Board will review the consent agenda and any items requiring discussion will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the standing agenda.

| Consent Agenda Item | Description | Action |
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| Meeting Minutes | Approve meeting minutes from 6/27/2022 LSA BoD meeting | |

Sabrina Francis moves to approve the consent agenda. Sharon Muha seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Enrollment Update
 - 434 students are enrolled in PowerSchool, 18 students have withdrawn. We are awaiting confirmation of three additional withdrawals. Anticipate 431 students at the start of the school year.
- Recruitment/Lottery Acceptances for 2022-23
 - We are still providing tours for potential new students as of last week. Still recruiting for a waitlist to replace students withdrawing.

HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT

We have enjoyed sponsoring camps from Community Music School (CMS) and Arts Together. CMS had a family function. Leilani River performed with one of their bands. Ms Smith and the Theater Department are holding a Theater Camp to do Lion King Jr. This will be a 2-week camp. Blend of LSA students, CMS, Arts Together and other community students.

Ms. Williams has been in contact with DPI regarding how we will manage learning when students have COVID. The legal requirement for remote learning has been dropped but we have requested permission to continue remote learning for COVID-positive students. We can do so as long as the student is confirmed positive. Virtual learning is still allowed but Remote Learning (which we submitted permission for) can no longer be offered.

Sharon asked whether students who had been using remote learning for other illnesses can still access classes in that manner. Currently, that is not allowed. Those students will have to use the traditional excused absence policy for make up work.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Parent from Facebook Group - Has Longleaf considered making Election Day a holiday or teacher workday? Mrs. Williams answered that the school is not a polling place.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance: Cheryl Hiser
 - Budget Amendment - The finance committee brought forward an amendment to bring our Fiscal Year 2022 budget in line with the most recent federal allotments. Elizabeth Grovenstein moves to approve the budget amendment, Sharon Muha seconds. The motion is approved.
 - Bonus Proposal - The Finance Committee recommended a recruitment and retention bonus. All returning teachers will receive a \$2000 bonus. All new teachers will receive a \$500 bonus. Cheryl Hiser moves to approve the motion, Sharon Muha seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nurse Herbst and Kelly McLaughlin both thanked the Board for approving the bonuses.

6:05pm CLOSED SESSION

Sabrina Francis moves pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(5,6) the Board will move into closed session for the purpose of reviewing contracts. Elizabeth Grovenstein seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

6:44pm OPEN SESSION

Sabrina Francis moves to resume the open session. Cheryl Hiser seconds the motion.

Sabrina Francis moves to approve Roja Rani as Math Teacher - Cheryl Hiser seconds the motion. The motion is approved

Sabrina Francis moves to approve Victoria Jones as Social Worker pending positive reference checks and positive background check - Sharon Muha seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

Sabrina Francis moves to approve Glenn Panglenan as Social Studies teacher pending positive background and reference checks, Sharon Muha seconds the motion. The motion is approved

Sabrina Francis moves to approve Carla Greco as English Teacher pending positive background and reference checks - Elizabeth Grovenstein seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

Sabrina Francis moves to approve Brittney Bivins as English Teacher pending positive background and reference checks - Elizabeth Grovenstein seconds the motion. The motion is approved.

6:48 PM ADJOURNMENT -

Sabrina Francis moves to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Muha seconds the motion. The motion is approved

Special Meeting Date: Thursday, August 4, 5:30 pm

Next Board Meeting Date: August 22, 2022, 5:30pm Longleaf School of the Arts

NOTE: Times are approximate. Meeting will be conducted in person and via ZOOM. Members of the public may attend via ZOOM. ZOOM link to be provided by the Longleaf School staff.